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SUBJECT: RETAIL SALES RISE 17 PER CENT IN JUNE YEAR

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1. ACCORDING TO THE LATEST FIGURES RELEASED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF STATISTICS, IN THE JUNE 1976 QUARTER RETAIL SALES ROSE TO \$1,101.4 MILLION OR 17.2 PERCENT OVER THE JUNE 1975 QUARTER. AT CONSTANT PRICES THEY WERE 1.4 PER CENT LOWER REPEAT LOWER THAN THE JUNE 1975 QUARTER AND PER CAPITA THE RETAIL SALES WERE 1.9 PER CENT LOWER.

2. THE SEASONALLY CORRECTED AND PRICE ADJUSTED TURNOVER PER CAPITA DURING THE JUNE 1976 QUARTER WAS 3.4 PER CENT HIGHER THAN THE MARCH 1976 QUARTER WHICH WAS IN TURN 3.7 PER CENT LOWER THAN DURING THE DECEMBER 1975 QUARTER.

3. THE STORE TYPES SHOWING THE LARGEST PROPORTIONAL INCREASE IN TURNOVER IN CURRENT VALUES WERE HARDWARE, BUILDERS' UNCLASSIFIED

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HARDWARE, PAINTS, ETC., 21 PERCENT; FURNITURE AND SOFT

FURNISHINGS 20.5 PER CENT; AND GROCERY AND DAIRY, 19.9
PER CENT. LEADING THOSE CATEGORIES WITH THE LOWEST
PROPORTIONAL INCREASES WERE APPAREL STORES WITH IN INCREASE
OF 12 PER CENT.
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